## BASIS FOR CLOSING NATIONAL SCIENCE BOARD TELECONFERENCE MEETING ON FEBRUARY 1, 2018

On January 24, 2018, the Executive Committee of the National Science Board voted to close the teleconference meeting of the National Science Board (NSB) scheduled for Thursday, February 1, 2018 at 1:00 p.m. EST. Board Members Drs. Córdova, Zuber, Souvaine, Jackson and Peterson participated in the e-mail polling of the Executive Committee. All members voted "yes" to close the teleconference. The agenda of the teleconference is: NSB Chair's opening remarks; discussion of the National Science Foundation's FY 2019 budget.

The Board Members, NSB Executive Secretary and Counsel, and senior Director's Office staff are expected to attend the closed teleconference meeting. The justification for closing the meeting is provided in the attached certificate.

## **CERTIFICATE**

It is my opinion that this teleconference meeting may properly be closed to the public under 5 U.S.C. § 552b (c) (3) and 42 U.S.C. § 1863 (k) regarding the disclosure of budget information for upcoming fiscal years.

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